up following the recommendations of an ILO technical mission and with the support of the ILO. The original project proposed envisaged financial assistance in part from foreign donors. After careful consideration Government decided to fund this programme from its own resources and therefore, recast it slightly by closely involving the State Government. Two separate pilot projects have been prepared for the benefit of child labour in the two areas where there is concentration of child labour viz. the match and firewarks industry in Sivakasi, Tamil Nadu and the carpet weaving industry in Mirzapur—Bhadohi area of U.P.

The Sivakasi project has been launched in April, 1986. The Mirzapur-Bhadohi project is being finalised in consultation with the Government of Uttar Pradesh.

The objectives of the pilot projects are:—

(a) to raise the income levels of the families of the child workers by covering them under the existing income generating schemes,

(b) to provide non-formal education to the child workes and to their parients,

(c) to provide better health care to the child workers,

(d) to improve the conditions of work and items of employment of the children.

(e) to improve the nutritional levels of the child workers, and

(f) to raise the general awareness and social consciousness of the people of the area.

Loans advanced to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes

1069. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total amount of loan disbursed by the various nationalised and other banks to persons belonging to the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and weaker sections of the society during 1984-85 and 1985-86; and

(b) what is the total amount of the loan amount recovered till March 31, 1986?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) Total advances of the public sector banks to weaker section and SC|ST beneficiaries under priority sector as at the end of December 1984 and December 1985 are given below:—

(Amount in Rs crors)

(Amount outstanding)

	December 1984	December 1985
1. Priority Sector Advances to Weaker Sections	3721	4894
2. Priority Sector Advances to SC/ST	985	1307

(b) The present data reporting system of Reserve Bank of India does not yield information relating to recovery of advances separtely for SC|ST Weaker Section beneficiaries.

Subsidies on export

1070. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state what was the amount of various types of subsidies given on exports during the years 1984-85 and 1985-86?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): A statement is attached.